

REGISTERED NURSE

INTRODUCTION:

This position is located on the Indian Health Service Mobile Women's Health Care in the Aberdeen Area. The purpose of this position is the provision of women's health nursing services in accordance with sound professional and nursing principles, and the adaptation of these services so that basic and special needs of the patient are met. This position provides services to patients in a mobile health care setting. This position requires licensure as a registered nurse and experience as stated in OPM Regulations.

MAJOR DUTIES:

Provides comprehensive nursing care to patients where condition and treatments are normally of a non-critical nature.

Utilizing the nurse process, initiates and completes patient assessment and initiates, develops, implements, and evaluates the patient care plan.

Takes the initial medical history on all patients. Performs visual assessment (heart lungs), observation, and some physical assessment (heart lungs), observing and recognizing unusual or complex problems and making proper disposition. Assists the Nurse Practitioner during patient examinations. Collects specimens and laboratory studies after thorough assessment.

Assesses various women's health problems. Assesses and triages chronic disease entities such as diabetes, and hypertension and refers appropriately to the physician for further evaluation and care.

Records accurate, timely, and appropriate information in the medical record through use of the SOAP method of charting (Subjective, Objective, Assessment and Planning), which include vital signs, laboratory and x-ray data and physical findings.

Provides comprehensive nursing care to patients based on the patient's plan of care and the physician's medical plan of care.

Observes patient's clinical condition and provides required nursing care including notification of the physician when appropriate, initiation of emergency measures, patient and family teaching.

Operates and monitors medical equipment such as AED. Reports malfunctions to Biomed/Maintenance.

Assists with various procedures: preparing the patient, assisting during the procedure and evaluating results.

Documents observations, nursing interventions, therapeutic measures, and patient response to treatment or care in the format of the problem oriented medical record.

Initiates and participates in patient referrals, and completes nursing documentation as appropriate.

Assists in acquainting physicians and new personnel in the function of the clinic. Accepts responsibilities as team leader or charge nurse in absence of supervisor.

Participates in and directs Quality Assurance activities such as nursing audits, infection control, and nursing care conferences.

Attends and takes an active role in MDT staff meetings. Participates in in-service educational programs by attendance as well as presentation of topics. Participates in quality assurance functions by taking an active role in nursing audits, quality assurance, infection control, and planning activities.

Performs other duties as assigned.

ESTIMATED SALARY AND BENEFITS:

Estimated salary for this contracted medical position on the unit is \$60 per hour for 1120 hours which amounts to \$67,200 per year.

Benefits are dependent on what the contractor is offering in accordance with the position.